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First Lady Martha Shelly Joins the “Read Across America” Celebration

Window Rock—Students from Window Rock Elementary School had a first class visit from Navajo Nation First Lady Martha Shelly last week during their “Read Across America-Grab Your HAT and Read with the CAT,” celebration.

As one of many invited special guests, First Lady Shelly read “Little Black: A Pony” by Walter Farley to Mrs. Kelly’s kindergarten class and “Sunpainters: Eclipse of the Navajo Sun” by Baje Whitethorne to Mrs. Manuelito’s second grade class for Thursday’s reading theme, Happily Ever After Day.

Since school is almost out for the summer, First Lady Shelly wants parents to continue reading to their kids.

“I want to challenge all parents to read to their children during the summer months,” stated First Lady Shelly. “I really enjoy reading to the children, it’s so important for them to keep studying to become the best they can be.”

Superintendent of Window Rock School District, Dr. Deborah Jackson-Dennison added, “I think it’s neat to see the First Lady come visit with our students, she’s a wonderful positive role model.”



Mrs. Manuelito’s second grade class listened to First Lady Martha Shelly read, “Sunpainters: Eclipse of the Navajo Sun.”

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